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RE: Amphenol comms update: joint news release, meeting format, draft Amphenol web page

Date:

Friday, July 27, 2018 10:22:40 AM

Attachments:

Amphenol site in Franklin Indiana Air sampling priority.msg

Re:

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We may want to consider - that if we do have an Open House format, we will be taking away the "voice" of EWA and other community members. This could very well evolve into a protest on the format right there and then, and a likely change of format at the last minute. A plus for EWA and Co. We can be assured that EWA will be leading the community and no doubt have a "speech" on what we should be doing. I would think that in as much as we have given creditability to EWA, as provided by the webpage opening sentence, they will have some authority. No doubt the meeting will be chaotic, we may be better off addressing the audience straight forward, and respond to the questions etc.

I believe the traditonal format will serve our purposes better ...

FYI - I have inlouded the letter received by EWA received yesterday, as we spoke with IDEM ...

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A round-up of comms updates for the folks involved with Franklin, Ind. ...

- We have a draft website ready for review ... it's based on the desk statement we've been using, a backgrounder drafted by Joe Cisneros, and some documents about the current sampling effort. Please review as soon as possible to suggest edits to the language or additional documents that should be added. This link will prompt you to login and then take you to the page: https://wcms.epa.gov/user/login?destination=node/208239/.
- I just got off the phone with IDEM's communications director and we're still planning to issue a joint news release on Monday. In addition to providing an activity update, this news release will promote the community meeting on Friday.
- Speaking of the community meeting, it sounds like the open house format isn't set in stone ... the mayor and some others would prefer a more traditional format with presentations to a large audience. However, IDEM's last public meeting on the Webb Wellfield "devolved into chaos," so that may not be the most effective meeting format. Stay tuned.
- Assuming there is an open house, we should consider sending one of our radon experts to staff a radon table alongside the State Department of Health. ARD, do you have anyone?

I'm sending this note to everybody who was at the meeting this afternoon ... apologies if I've missed someone.

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shannon@edisonwetlands.org; rspiegel@edisonwetlands.org Amphenol site in Franklin, Indiana Air sampling priority

Dear Mr. Gonzalez and Ms. Bury,

I am writing in regard to the air sampling being conducted at the Amphenol site in Franklin, Indiana. I am extremely concerned about the air discharges and want to strongly recommend that the USEPA provide the most stringent Quality Assurance/Quality Controls including onsite monitoring by USEPA senior management and real-time monitoring of the groundwater pump-and-treat system vent stack emissions to compliment the Summa canisters at the perimeter of the site every 25 feet to collect both real time air quality as well as 24 hour cumulative air discharges.

The USEPA must also conduct their own independent testing of the vent stack at the pump and treat system. The surface water discharging from the site must be identified and sampled by the USEPA. The two schools adjacent to the Amphenol site adjacent to the contaminated Webb Well field must be tested for vapor intrusion independent of any other sampling done by private parties. The groundwater must also be delineated as well.

I would also strongly recommend the USEPA take electric meter readings at the utility pole to assess the electric usage as a control measure to assure the electric usage can be compared with the real time power expenditures to make sure that the responsible parties are in fact taking the readings under what would be normal operating conditions. By taking the electric meter readings, one can estimate the power usage and compare it to what the system's electric usage would be during the time period of the monitoring.

In addition to this control measure the USEPA should set up both passive and real time monitoring near all the extraction wells and storm water openings at the site.

I will send you photos taken at the site of the utility pole, extraction wells and other locations discussed in this e-mail. I can be reached at 732-841-9375.

Respectfully,
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Executive Director
Edison Wetlands Association

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